

and safety. Rumor has it that he will have his feet firmly planted under a table in the Palm Court of the Palace Hotel, celebrating Stanford University's fiftieth birthday.

We believe this occasion also marks the forty-ninth anniversary of the beginning of Dr. MacFarland's service on the Stanford faculty. The editors of the News Letter take this opportunity to congratulate both Dr. MacFarland and Stanford University on their long and fruitful association with each other.



#### APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

NOTICE is hereby given to all Corporate Members that the Council at its meeting, September 19, 1941, approved the applications of Mr. James V. Lloyd, Mrs. John W. Robertson, and Mr. Paul T. Wilson for MEMBERSHIP in the California Academy of Sciences. If no objection to the election of these applicants be received at the office of the Academy within two weeks after September 25, 1941, they will be considered elected.



#### MEETING OF STUDENT MEMBERS

ON FRIDAY EVENING, September 26, student members of the Academy will meet in the Department of Entomology, in the East Wing Museum Building in Golden Gate Park, at 8:00 o'clock. Mr. R. G. Wind, who recently returned from a collecting trip to the Solomon Islands and New Guinea, will speak, and show motion pictures taken on his trip.

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#### TETON TRAILS

*By DUANE BARTHOLOMEW*

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## October Announcement

THE REGULAR OCTOBER MEETING of the California Academy of Sciences will be held in the Auditorium of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 245 Market Street, San Francisco, on Wednesday evening, October 1, 1941, at eight o'clock. The business meeting will be brief and will be followed by the first of the fall series of lectures on The Beauties of Nature, on the Walter B. Scaife Foundation. The speaker of the evening, Mr. Duane Bartholomew, will take as his subject, "Teton Trails."

In the fine series of motion pictures in color which will illustrate his lecture, Mr. Bartholomew has made a special effort to secure pictures of all the wild-flowers a visitor to the Grand Teton region is likely to see, with many close-ups. Mountain climbers will be interested in seeing action pictures of Jack Durrance, an excellent climber who is widely known for his part in the K-2 expedition of 1939 to the Himalayas. The Grand Teton itself is known as one of the most difficult mountains to climb in the sport of mountaineering.

Mr. Bartholomew's lecture promises a fine evening of education and entertainment. The public is cordially invited. Come early to insure getting a seat.



### ACADEMY EXPEDITIONS TO IDAHO AND BAJA CALIFORNIA

FOR SEVERAL YEARS—in fact, since the late well-known "depression"—the field work of the Academy has been seriously curtailed by lack of funds. It is accordingly a cause for rejoicing among both the staff and the membership at large that field work has been resumed in a serious way.

On August 11 a member of the Academy who insists on remaining anonymous handed the Director a check for \$1,000 to be expended exclusively in promoting work in the field. It did not require long to put this generous gift to advantageous use. Within three weeks an expedition was organized to proceed to the Crags Mountains area of eastern Idaho. By the time this News Letter comes from the press, it is expected that a second expedition will be organized and in the field, proceeding to Baja California.

On September 3, a group consisting of Dr. G. Dallas Hanna, Curator of Paleontology; Dr. Robert T. Orr, Assistant Curator of Birds and Mammals; Mr. Anatole Loukashkin, Research Associate in that department, and Mr. Cecil Tose, Assistant in the Department of Exhibits, set out for Idaho in a

truck recently acquired by the Academy, especially designed for field work in remote localities and over difficult terrain. The party proceeded to the Crags Mountains in Idaho, one of the most remote and little explored regions of the continental United States. According to latest information, sent out under some difficulties, they are encamped at an elevation of 1900 feet, among mountains rising 5,000 to 7,000 feet, at a distance of 46 miles from the nearest railroad or post office. The results of this expedition will be of particular interest and value by reason of the fact that very few specimens from the region visited are to be found in any museums, and that the flora and fauna would be expected to be intermediate between those of the Rocky Mountain area and the Pacific states.

The projected expedition to the Cape Region of Baja California, which is being organized by Dr. E. S. Ross of the Academy's Department of Entomology, is expected to be under way in a few days from the time of present writing. Accordingly, when this News Letter is received the Academy will for the first time in many years have two important expeditions in the field at the same time.



### ORNITHOLOGISTS MEET IN DENVER

TWO MEMBERS of the Academy's staff, Dr. Robert C. Miller, Director, and Mr. James Moffitt, Curator of Birds and Mammals, attended the annual meeting of the American Ornithologists Union in Denver, Colorado, September 1-4. Dr. Miller showed motion pictures of the Lack-Venables Expedition to the Galapagos Islands, and discussed the work of that expedition and also of the Academy's four expeditions to the Galapagos. Mr. Moffitt described an apparatus invented at the Academy for marking wild birds and animals with colored dyes, so that they can be recognized subsequently and their movements traced or their behavior observed. Mr. Moffitt also attended the meeting of the Council of the A.O.U. as official representative of the Cooper Ornithological Club.

Dr. Robert T. Orr, Assistant Curator of Birds and Mammals, was elected a member of the A.O.U., although not present at this meeting. Inasmuch as membership in this body is limited by its constitution to 150 persons, election to this group is a real distinction. The Academy congratulates Dr. Orr on having attained recognition as an able ornithologist, in addition to his well known work in the field of mammalogy.

Mr. Moffitt was elected a member of the A.O.U. in 1937, and Mr. Joseph Mailliard, Emeritus Curator of Birds and Mammals in the Academy, has been a member since 1895, and a fellow since 1913.



### INSIDE INFORMATION

IF MEMBERS of the Academy miss President MacFarland's genial presence at the October meeting they need be only moderately alarmed for his health